

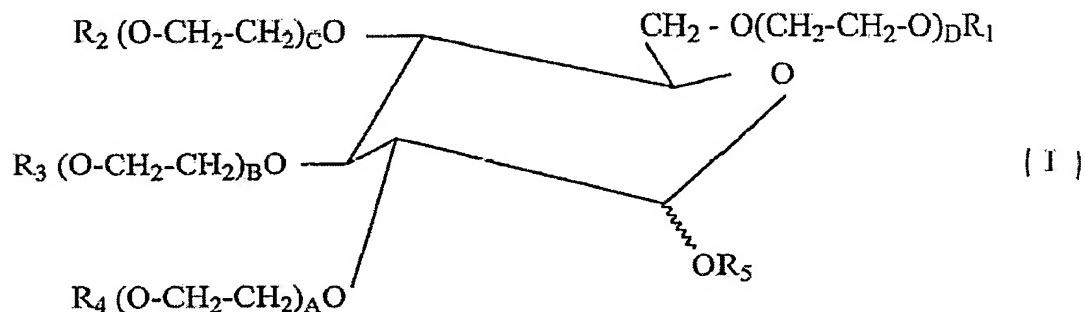
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What is claimed is:

1. A mixture of fatty acid esters of an ethoxylated alkylglucoside of formula

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wherein the sum of A, B, C and D is from 30 to 40, each R₁, R₂, R₃ and R₄ independently is hydrogen or-C (O)-M, wherein M is a C₁₁-C₂₉ alkyl or alkenyl, and
10 R₅ is a C₁-C₅ alkyl, provided that the ethoxylated alkylglucoside on the average comprises from 2.1 to 2.8-C(O)-M groups.

2. The mixture of Claim 1 wherein the sum of A, B, C and D in formula I is from 30 to 40.

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3. The mixture of Claim 2 wherein the sum of A, B, C and D in formula I is 35.

- 20 4. The mixture of any one of Claims 1 to 3 wherein the ethoxylated alkylglucoside on the average comprises from 2.3 to 2.5-C (O)-M groups.

5. The mixture of any one of Claims 1 to 4 wherein M in formula I is a C₁₇ alkenyl group.

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6. The mixture of any one of Claims 1 to 5 wherein R₅ is methyl.

7. A cosmetic composition comprising the mixture of fatty acid esters of any one of Claims 1 to 6.

5 8. The cosmetic composition of Claim 7 being a skin cleansing composition.

9. Use of the mixture of fatty acid esters of any one of Claims 1 to 6 as a refatting agent in a cosmetic composition.

10 10. A process for preparing the mixture of any one of Claims 1 to 6 comprising the steps of:

- i) reacting an alkylglucoside with from 10 to 60 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of alkylglucoside and
- 15 ii) reacting the ethoxylated alkylglucoside with from 2.1 to 2.8 moles of a saturated or unsaturated C₁₁-C₂₉ fatty acid or a C₁₋₄-alkyl ester thereof.